

EVERYBODY IS BUSY SPENDING

Money is Plentiful in New York and Christmas Cheer Bobs Up Everywhere.

New York, Dec. 26.—This is a merry Christmas indeed for New York. One year ago 300,000 workers of the big city were out of jobs. There was suffering in many homes. Public and private philanthropy was taxed. The city was a fertile field for demonstrations. The business man was chary of his gifts and the average father of a family shut his lips firmly when approached on the subject of Yuletide allowances.

What a change! Take a walk through the great department stores. You will walk indeed, and walk very slowly, too. The crowds are like the throngs about the free side show at the circus. Purchasers from the beautiful things piled high on the tables find it difficult to get a clerk to wait on them without a long delay.

Prices High, Money Plentiful.
Prices of everything are high, another sign of good times. There is no need of bargain sales with the money in the air. In handling the business, instead of details of comparative prices, some of the stores simply print full names and "double check" ornamental advertisements in the newspapers, an article poster-like advertisement with never a dollar sign to mar the word of good times.

The newspapers in some cases are printing the largest issues of their careers. One daily has just printed the largest regular evening edition ever published in the United States.

Everybody's Busy.
The postoffice is performing herculean tasks. The parcel post department is grappling with a vast problem. The money order clerks are dispatching tens of millions of dollars in Christmas gifts to the "old folks" back across the Atlantic in war-saddened Europe.

In the big hotels rooms are scarce and the dining halls are aglow with a spirit of affluence. Leadership in the spending is claimed by the numerous army of "war babies." This name has been conferred on the tens of thousands who have grown rich through speculation in war securities.

Young clerks who started last summer with \$200 of their earnings now prance through the city lobbies with women friends on their arms, intent on burning up in bubbling yellow water a part of that \$20,000 or perhaps \$40,000 which their bank books now show.

All Spend Liberally.
Liberality in spending is to be noted, too, in the more conservative classes, the solid business men who have made profits in war stocks or have simply shared in the general boom reflected in bank clearances for the country 50 percent above those of the same period last year.

Old time Christmas bonuses are the rule in the princely offices that crowd the skyscraper district below City Hall. Two weeks' extra salary as a token of good wishes from the "boss" is common and some stock exchange

ROBERSON GIVEN ANOTHER TRIAL

Juror Swears was Disqualified; Roberson on Bond; Subpena for Juror.

On an affidavit declaring that Sidney Burch, who was convicted in 1930 of theft in the federal court at Paris, Texas, and A. J. Martin, one of the jurors in the H. L. Roberson murder case, were the same person, Judge Dan M. Jackson of the 24th district court, at 10:30 Saturday night, set aside the verdict of the jury finding Roberson guilty of the murder of H. L. Borkin at Sierra Blanca on Jan. 14 and granted the motion for a new trial. Arguments began at 11:30 Saturday afternoon.

The affidavit, signed by Martin, was introduced by Roberson's attorneys to show that he was not a proper juror, and the court took that view of the matter. Martin's affidavit stated that, under the name of Burch he had been convicted in Indian territory.

As soon as he learned of the affidavit, district attorney W. W. Bridges had a subpoena issued for Martin, but the officers failed to find him and it was thought he had gone to Juarez. Martin had for some time been employed as a waiter in a restaurant.

W. W. Bridges filed a county affidavit claiming that he had telegraphed the warden of the Leavenworth federal prison asking for the record of Sidney Burch. The warden replied that Burch had served a short term and was released on habeas corpus. District attorney Bridges claims the federal court was without jurisdiction. Bridges and A. J. Martin are not the same person.

firms will recognize the strenuous days and nights when their employees sleep at times on cots in the office by paying a half year's compensation in a lump.

Everybody Has It.
Even the figuring factor without a certificate of war stock, without even a hundred dollars wherewith to speculate, living from hand to mouth in the good old fashioned American manner, is realizing the full meaning of the Yankee custom of spending the savings of a quarter of a year each December on Christmas gifts.

For the spirit of optimism is here. A reaction from the forebodings of the winter has come. America has weathered one storm—others may be coming, but today we forget our troubles, we leave preparedness in the hands of our government and enjoy our Christmas tree in the warm front parlor of our Uncle Sam.

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Like the sun we are dispensers of warmth and good cheer. R. C. Sample, successor to Southwestern Fuel Co. Phone 321.—Advertisement.

Christmas Gifts at Feldman's. Flash Lights—Electric Cooking Utensils—Advertisement.

GRAND JURY SAYS TO WATCH CLUB MOTORISTS

Grand Jury Says to Watch Club Motorists; City May Buy the County Jail.

The Century club at 2105 Broadway is placed under the ban in the grand jury report submitted Saturday afternoon to Judge Dan M. Jackson of the 24th district court, at the conclusion of its sittings. Recommendation is made that peace officers keep it under surveillance.

City Take Over County Jail.
The report strongly recommends that the city take over the county jail when the new courthouse shall have been completed. According to the report the proposition is now receiving serious consideration by the city. The report makes recommendations that the police force be enlarged, and that the county road police officer be provided an automobile with which to apprehend speeders.

In many instances second hand dealers are assisting burglars. In the opinion of the grand jury, and it is recommended that these be watched. The grand jury held sessions 21 days and investigated 14 cases, returning 75 true bills out of that number.

Rite Clubs.
We investigated a number of cases in violation of the liquor laws and were assisted to some extent in this matter by a representative from the controller's office at Austin. The report says "who was here at the time of our session and, after discussing with him numerous cases where violations had been reported, we decided that it would be the better plan to have this representative from Austin handle the violations then before us and, therefore, our work along this line will be considered more or less as assistance to him rather than results from the grand jury itself."

Watch Century Club.
One of the most serious features in connection with the liquor traffic, we consider, is due to the operation of numerous saloons running under various names as social, athletic and other organizations of like nature and which can hardly be considered as bona fide clubs operating in a proper manner. One of the most notorious of these is located at 2105 Broadway and known as the Century club. Thomas Walker, manager, is strongly recommended that the proper officers keep this club under surveillance.

City Jail Too Small.
We have made inspection of the city jail, county hospital and city waterworks. At the county jail we found conditions favorable, the jail being kept clean and run in a very orderly and business-like manner. At the city jail we found conditions as good as is possible for them to be under the conditions and with the facilities at hand. We found that the city jail is entirely inadequate to the needs of our growing city and with the increased population and increased number of undesirable here. We understand that negotiations are now under way for the city to take over the present county jail as soon as the new county jail is completed. We strongly recommend that the county and city officers work together along this line, as such a transfer would be a lasting benefit to the taxpayers of the county and city and would fulfill one of the most urgent necessities at this time.

Hospital Satisfactory.
The conditions at the county hospital appear to be satisfactory. Our recommendation we would offer, however, is that the lavatories and bath rooms be tiled. The city water works is in a healthy condition, financial and the earnings are being spent on enlargements of the water plant generally. The present conditions would indicate that the future of the waterworks will be sufficient to take care of the necessary enlargements and extensions of the next year.

Action for Speed Up.
"With reference to the patrolling of the county road, we consider that the present method is proving unsatisfactory. We discuss with the sheriff and have come to the conclusion that it would be advisable for the county to provide a five-passenger automobile to be placed at the service of the road police, with permission to change the number on same as frequently as desired. This action, we believe, would be the means of making the work of this officer a great deal more effective than is possible with the use of a motorcycle."

Police Inadequate.
It seems to us that the present police force is inadequate to handle the large and increasing number of criminals coming to our city, as is evidenced by the increasing number of violations committed throughout the residence and other sections of the city, and we would recommend that the city council make an effort to provide for an increased police force.

Second Hand Dealers Aid Thieves.
We have investigated a large number of cases of burglary and theft and are glad to find that in almost every instance the criminals have been apprehended. We have also investigated numerous cases where stolen goods have been disposed of by second hand dealers and our opinion is that there are cases where the burglars are actually assisted by these second hand dealers, and it is recommended that this particular matter be watched by the proper officers.

We Have Paid Particular Attention.
To the case of kidnapping and we think that this is one evil that should at all times be vigorously prosecuted and the same suggestion would apply to cases where threatened victims have been sent to citizens of this county."

The report is signed by S. C. Hawley, foreman.

J. S. HOLLY HAS HIS AUTO SEIZED IN JUAREZ; RETURNED

J. S. Holly, auto service driver of 265 Mesa avenue, was arrested Friday afternoon in Juarez, thrown into jail, and his automobile, a 1918 Cadillac "eight" taken from him. Saturday morning he was released, and late Saturday afternoon his machine was returned to him.

Holly said: "They did everything to me they could think of. No reason was given for the arrest of the El Paso and nothing was said as to a reason for the confiscation of his machine."

When he was released it was with a sorry grin, and when he was given back it was with undimmed black looks, he says.

TEXAS HAS \$35,000,000 DUE IN DELINQUENT TAXES
Austin, Tex., Dec. 26.—In accordance with the requirements of the new delinquent tax law of the thirty-fourth legislature, there have thus far been filed in the contractor's department, delinquent tax rolls of by approximately 150 counties. There is due the state in delinquent taxes, according to figures in the contractor's department, about \$35,000,000 in delinquent taxes of which \$15,000,000 are county taxes.

COURT MARTIAL COURT ORDERED TO CONVENE AT FORT BLISS; MILITARY PRISONERS TO MILITARY

Court Ordered to Convene at Fort Bliss; Military Prisoners to Military.

Fifteen military prisoners from Fort Bliss and Fort Huachuca, Ariz., have been ordered transferred to the disciplinary barracks at Fort Leavenworth, Kas. The Fort Huachuca men have been ordered shipped under guard by way of this city and include Annison R. Beary, Capt. C. W. Jerome, Capt. W. M. Adams, Capt. Charles V. Whitner, Joseph Wilson, Henry Williamson, Edward M. Oliver, Rhinhardt Beutel, Robert E. Banks and Henry A. Quirk. The Fort Bliss prisoners ordered transferred include William Lockhart, Frank D. Mirrel, William A. Dill and John W. Baldwin.

Court Martial at Post.
A general court martial has been appointed to meet at Fort Bliss. The detail for the court includes Lieut. Col. Lewis M. Koehler, Capt. George W. Moser, William Kelly, Sr., Capt. Richard R. Going, Capt. Ben Lear, Jr., Lieut. Emory J. Pike, Lieut. John Cocke, second Lieut. Thomas H. Modestie, second Lieut. William H. Rees, Jr. and Lieut. William H. Cowles as judge advocate, all of the 5th cavalry.

Maj. Hecney on Leave.
Maj. Mark L. Hecney, 15th infantry, Douglas, Ariz., has been ordered to the general hospital at Hot Springs for observation and treatment.

Capt. Rush S. Wells, 5th cavalry, Douglas, Ariz., has been ordered to the general hospital at Hot Springs for observation and treatment.

Lieut. John C. Naul, 5th field artillery, Nogales, Ariz., has been granted leave for a month.

Leave of absence for a month has also been granted Lieut. Lowe A. McClure, 5th infantry, Nogales, Ariz.

Second Lieut. Howard Eager, 4th field artillery, at Fort Bliss, has been granted leave for 14 days.

Second Lieut. James P. Yancy, 15th cavalry, Columbus, N. M., has been granted leave for two months.

Ten Day Leaves.
Leave for 10 days has been granted Lieut. John C. Moore, 7th infantry, Nogales, Ariz.

Leave for a month has been granted Lieut. Alfred L. P. Sands, 5th field artillery, at Douglas, Ariz.

Leave for 12 days has been granted second Lieut. George A. Sanford, 16th infantry, Nogales, Ariz.

Lieut. Albert C. Wimberly, 7th cavalry, Douglas, has been granted leave for a month and 15 days.

Lieut. James B. Henry, 12th cavalry, Columbus, N. M., has been granted leave for a month and 15 days.

Transfer of Enlisted Men.
Pvt. Harvey A. Clark, company D, 20th infantry, Nogales, Ariz., has been transferred to company B, 15th infantry.

Pvt. Henry S. Rogers, company B, 15th infantry, Nogales, has been ordered transferred to company D, 7th infantry.

Pvt. Harry F. Kiger, formerly of troop C, 15th cavalry, at Fort Bliss, has been transferred to company H, 4th infantry.

Pvt. Jack R. Strachter, company E, 20th infantry, Nogales, is transferred to troop F, 15th cavalry, and sent to Columbus, N. M.

Pvt. William O. Oldham, company M, of the 5th infantry, has been transferred to the quartermaster corps for duty with the 5th infantry field train.

Pvt. Henry C. James, troop F, 15th cavalry, at Columbus, N. M., has been transferred to the quartermaster corps for duty with pack train No. 10.

Artillerymen Transfers.
Pvt. Robert K. Kiser, company C, 4th field artillery, Fort Bliss, has been transferred to the quartermaster corps for duty with the 4th field artillery field train.

Pvt. William M. Naylor, company E, 16th infantry, has been ordered transferred to the quartermaster corps for duty as cook at Fort Bliss.

Sgt. Charles Minus, quartermaster corps, Douglas, Ariz., has been ordered to Fort Bliss as quartermaster.

Corp. Walter C. Williams, quartermaster corps, with bakery company No. 4, at Fort Bliss, has been ordered to Fort Apache, Ariz., to receive Corp. Walter A. Sartoris, as baker.

Discharges by Purchase.
The following men have purchased their discharge from the army: At Fort Bliss—Pvt. William K. Conley, hospital corps; Pvt. Harrison Billingsley, troop D, 5th cavalry; Pvt. Joseph H. Brown, 15th cavalry; Pvt. Henry Krayenbuhl, troop E, 5th cavalry.

At Camp Cotton—Pvt. Oscar R. Ariz, company F, 16th infantry; Pvt. Clarence D. Cook, company F, 16th infantry; Pvt. Riley W. Williamson, company F, 16th infantry.

At Douglas, Ariz.—Pvt. Clarence F. McEntire, quartermaster corps; Pvt. Joe, two shelled shrike shrikes at John Stanley, company I, 18th infantry; Pvt. Ernest Beliveau, bakery company 2; Pvt. Port Morris, company E, 22d infantry; Pvt. Robert G. Finn, company D, 11th infantry; Pvt. Harry B. Averoff, company H, 20th infantry; Sgt. Frederick M. Blockschmidt, quartermaster corps; Sgt. Terry J. Hanna, company H, 14th infantry; Pvt. Joseph Zimmerman, battery B, 6th field artillery; Pvt. John Castellano, company F, 18th infantry; Pvt. Henry J. Lublin, company E, 15th infantry; Pvt. Joseph L. Smith, Jr., company K, 22d infantry.

At Hachula, N. M.—Pvt. George H. Leavitt, field company C, assigned corps; At Nogales, Ariz.—Pvt. Alfred O. Pomeroy, company B, 20th infantry; Pvt. William Bello, company C, 7th infantry; Corp. J. P. Brown, company C, 4th field artillery; Pvt. Harry Gray, battery C, 6th field artillery; Pvt. Horace W. Swain, company L, 12th infantry; Pvt. Arthur T. Slay, company M, 12th infantry.

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Old Ladies' Seamless Comfort Shoe, rubber heel, cushion sole, button. Regular \$3.00 value, underpriced at.....\$2.35

Misses' Red Felt Romeos, fur trimmed, in regular 11 to 2. Regular \$1.25 value, underpriced at.....90c
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